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## NEED OF A PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The action of one of the local fire organizations in withdrawing from the service of the city the use of their company, emphasizes the need of what the Journal has already advocated, namely, a paid fire department for New Bern.

It is not a question whether the local organization had sufficient grievance or not for its action in disavowing further fire duty. This is not an issue except as it might affect the fire risks, the same as has already been noted in these columns, the absence of the local firemen at fires when their prompt attendance might prove all important.

The household and the owner of buildings demand a double surety against possible danger from fires. First, is that protection which a local fire department gives, and second, is the protection which sound and safe fire insurance companies guarantee them.

Each of these protective agencies are all important, and one bears upon the other, for if the local fire organization be of such protective value, it lessens the cost which the owner of perishable property must pay the fire insurance for its protection.

In this city, the volunteer fire department service is recognized and acknowledged as having passed its period of usefulness. But fire dangers are as great as ever, the owners of stores, dwellings and merchandise are threatened as much as they ever were by the fire fiend, and they must be protected. Fire insurance by itself will not give all the needed protection, and the falling off in the fire department efficiency can be noted in the rates which must be paid for fire insurance. No insurer wants a fire just to reap his insurance, rather every insurer wants the best precautionary protection which a well equipped fire department gives.

The time to take the precaution is now, today, not wait until a conflagration forces a tremendous loss upon the citizens. An organized paid local fire service is demanded for New Bern, and the sooner it is secured the greater gain it will be for every local interest.

## TAXES AND POLL TAX.

The urgency of the tax collectors, and especially the published request from the Sheriffs of the different counties, for tax delinquents to come forward and settle promptly for what they owe in the way of taxes, is equally important to those who owe, as well as to those who are elected, or appointed to collect these taxes.

More especially is the matter of the payment of the poll tax important, for failure to pay this tax before May first, this year, means that those who have failed will lose their right to vote in the elections of this year.

It is the penalty, which those who do not pay their poll tax before May first, 1904, must suffer, the forfeiture of all rights to vote in the important elections which are to take place this year.

The failure to pay this poll tax before May first, with the consequent loss of the voting privilege, does not mean that this exempts the delinquent from payment, for the tax must be paid any way.

The importance of a vote this year, and every year, ought to be sufficient to cause every poll tax payer to meet his obligation long before the day when the clock is set.

And it is not too much to say that all taxes should be paid, so that no taxpayer's name goes upon the delinquent list.

## W. R. HEARST, A DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL POSSIBILITY.

Very many men, with political aspirations, have been received with

for political recognition were at the same time discredited and ignored by those who appeared to be political wisecracks.

A few months ago when the claim was made that Mr. William R. Hearst, of New York City, but best known as the proprietor of great leading newspaper dailies in New York, Chicago, and San Francisco, was an aspirant for Presidential honors at the hands of the National Democratic party, it was received with the smile of incredulity and treated as a joke.

The few newspapers which treated Mr. Hearst's candidacy as serious, were the subject of jest by their contemporaries, in fact Mr. Hearst and his possible Presidential pretensions were put down as another attack, or a new form of this gentleman's so-called yellow journalism.

But two recent events place a different aspect upon Mr. Hearst as a Democratic Presidential possibility.

The first was the change in the proposed place of holding the National Democratic nominating convention, from Chicago to St. Louis. Why? Because Chicago was the home of one of Mr. Hearst's newspapers, and this influence might tend to promote Mr. Hearst's Democratic theories and personal political aspirations to the confusion of those Democrats whose theories or political desires and hopes differed from those of Mr. Hearst.

And recently, at a meeting of the Democratic State Committee of Illinois, in Chicago, there was an open outburst between two factions, one headed by James H. Eckels and Congressman James R. Williams, these gentlemen and their friends, making the statement that Democratic success was not to be gained by appealing to those elements of discontent, and disturbers of peace, meaning the populists and socialists.

The other faction is said to have disagreed with this program, or perhaps with the leaders who sought to control the meeting. And this other faction were followers of W. R. Hearst, and they claim to have won at this meeting, which means Democratic recognition in Illinois for Mr. Hearst's Presidential aspirations.

It is nearly five months before the Democratic meet in convention to name their Presidential candidate. There are many names mentioned, but is there any name at this time which shows the potentiality as a possible Presidential candidate, even nominee, as does that name, William Randolph Hearst?

If Mr. Hearst is not an important factor in the next Democratic convention at St. Louis, in July, then political signs are not to be considered as portending approaching events, for the above two incidents are certainly straws, which the wise politician will not be slow in noting, and guiding himself thereby, in the coming campaign, if he disagrees with Mr. Hearst and his political aspirations for the Presidency.

## STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. LUCAS COUNTY.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY.

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## A Kicking Deferred.

Aunt Clara to her young nephew, who has just brought a bucket into the parlor where she is sitting—Good gracious, Tommy, what are you doing with that bucket? Take it down to the kitchen at once. Tommy—I want you to kick it, Aunt Clara, 'cause I heard papa saying when you kick the bucket we'd get at the very least \$25,000.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on each box, 25c.

## Good Scheme.

Hicks—You keep duplicates of all your old love letters. What an ideal wife—Yes, when I have done something particularly foolish I just read over one of those letters. It is quite encouraging to know that I'm not nearly so much of a fool as I used to be.—Boston Transcript.

## An Early Riser.

A strong, healthy, active constitution depends largely on the condition of the liver. The famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Riser not only cleanse the system but they strengthen the action of the liver and rebuild the tissues supporting that organ. Little Early Riser are easy to get, they never gripe and yet they are absolutely certain to produce results that are satisfactory in all cases. Sold by F. S. Duff.

## School Opening Postponed

Special to Journal. GREENSBORO, N. C., February 12.—President McIver this evening issued a notice to all students that the date of the opening of the Normal and Industrial College has been postponed until February twenty-third.

"Stop your growling." Rheumatism will cure you, and make you feel ten years younger. Get it at your druggist's.

## Another A & N C Lease Proposition.

Special to Journal. Raleigh, Feb. 12.—McBee's proposition to lease the Atlantic and North Carolina Railway for 99 years. His attorney says that this offer if accepted, will put the stock nearly at par. Governor Aycock says it is a much better offer than any before made. This is all he will say.

## AROUND AND ABOUT.

The rare sight of quail visiting the haunts of civilization was the privilege of Mr. Enoch Wadsworth a few days since. A bevy of quail settled in his garden and he shot two or three of the birds.

The cases tried in the Superior Court were Adams vs. Stevenson, judgment for plaintiff. The case of Whitford vs. Bland went to the jury late yesterday afternoon and no verdict had been obtained up to the time of going to press.

Mr. L. S. Grant received a phone message from Mr. F. C. Toepelman, at Henderson, stating that the arrangements for the completion of the improved phone service had all been made and the work of the enlargement and improvement of the local exchanges of the Henderson Company would be pushed as rapidly as possible. When completed the exchange will be as thoroughly equipped and as nearly perfect as science can make it.

## When You Have a Cold.

The first action when you have a cold should be to relieve the lungs. This is best accomplished by the free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This Remedy liquefies the tough mucous and causes its expulsion from the air cells of the lungs, produces a free expectoration and opens the secretions. A complete cure soon follows. This remedy will cure a severe cold in less time than any other treatment and it leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. It counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by all Druggists.

## Long Range Prayer.

The Swiss mountaineers have a custom of calling through speaking trumpets at dusk each evening, "Praise the Lord God!" This call may be started by one herdsman and is answered by others from neighboring peaks, the sound being much prolonged as it reverberates from one mountain to another. After a short interval, supposedly devoted to prayer, a herdsman calls in the same manner, "Good night!" this, too, being repeated by his fellows. Then all retire to their beds. The impressiveness of these calls, echoing and re-echoing from rocky and mountain to mountain, can easily be imagined.

## A Cure For Eczema.

My baby had Eczema so bad that its head was a solid mass of scabs, and its hair all came out. I tried many remedies but none seemed to do any permanent good until I used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The Eczema is cured, the scabs are gone and the little one's scalp is perfectly clean and healthy, and its hair is growing beautifully again. I cannot give too much praise to DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve.—Frank Farmer, Bluff City, Ky. In buying Witch Hazel Salve look out for counterfeits. DeWitt's is the original and the only one containing pure Witch Hazel. The name E. C. DeWitt & Co. is on every box. Sold by F. S. Duff.

## The Silver Bridle.

One of the customs observed at a Bohemian marriage feast is that of making the bride cross a silver bridge. The bride's father-in-law lifts her on to the table, where she walks on two rows of silver coins, at the end of which her husband stands and receives her into his arms. The silver bridge typifies the wealth with which her bridegroom hopes to smooth her path in life.

## Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c at C. D. Bradburn's, Druggist.

## Plants Without Roots.

The "flower of the air" is a curious plant found in China and Japan. It is so called because it appears to have no root and is never fixed to the earth. It twines round a dry tree or sterile rock. Each shoot produces two or three flowers like a lily—white, transparent and odoriferous. It is capable of being transported 200 or 300 miles, and it grows as it travels, suspended on a twig.

## Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for all stomach troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. All other medicines can take the place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by C. D. Bradburn.

# ON THE YALU

## Movement of Japan to Seize Manchuria Railroad.

## PORT ARTHUR HOLDS OUT

## Japanese Making a Flank Move. Fleet Reported withdrawn as Troops are landed. France Uneasy.

Special to Journal. London, Feb. 12.—There is an unconfirmed report of the surrender of Port Arthur today.

The later news is that Port Arthur still holds out but that the terrific bombardment of the Japanese fleet is rapidly reducing the Russian defences. The town is being wrecked by the Japanese fire and there is a great loss of life. The populace is fleeing from the city. All foreigners were notified to leave.

Advices by way of Shanghai are that the Russian fleet at Port Arthur has been completely smashed with great loss of life.

The Japanese fleet is now reported to have withdrawn from the neighborhood of Port Arthur, their last movement against the place being to cover the landing of forces. This has now been accomplished.

An engagement with land forces is reported north of Port Arthur. Baron Hayashi has been informed that the Japanese troops are advancing rapidly on the Yalu river where it is expected they will soon come in contact with the Russians.

The plan of campaign of Japan is to push across the Yalu river and on to Mukden, the present Russian base on the Manchurian railroad, driving the Russians back on Harbin to the north. This move will isolate Port Arthur and give Japan the control of the Manchurian railroad and telegraph line.

Corea is now dominated by Japan who occupy the following places, Seoul, the capital, Masamp in the southeast, and Chemulpo, Ping Yang and Chensalpo on the west.

Nagasaki, February 12.—The Russian troops seen in the neighborhood of Seoul and expected to attack the capital are probably remains of forces that were defeated near Yalu. It was thought that the Russians might make an attack on Seoul so as to relieve Port Arthur by drawing off Japanese forces.

Berlin, February 12.—The German government has notified Russia that the Baltic fleet cannot pass through the Kiel ship canal en route to the far east. The Russian fleet will now proceed via Skager around the northern extremity of Denmark. The fleet made an attempt to go by the northern route in the first instance but were driven back by storms and ice. The fleet consists of five new battleships and three smaller vessels.

Paris, February 12.—It is denied that the French government is rushing warships to the far east. It is learned however that vessels have sailed. There is talk of France becoming embroiled in the war.

## MILLIONAIRE'S POOR STOMACH.

The worn-out stomach of the over-fed millionaire is often paraded in the public prints as a horrible example of the evils attendant on the possession of great wealth. But millionaires are not the only ones who are afflicted with bad stomachs. The proportion is far greater among the toilers. Dyspepsia and indigestion are rampant among these people, and they suffer far worse tortures than the millionaire unless they avail themselves of a standard medicine like Green's August Flower, which has been a favorite household remedy for all stomach troubles for over thirty-five years. August Flower rouses the torpid liver, thus creating appetite and insuring perfect digestion. It tones and vitalizes the entire system and makes life worth living, no matter what your year station. Trial bottles, 25c; regular size, 75c. F. S. Duff.

## An Ultra Modern Child.

Margaret's mother numbers among her friends several schoolteachers, and although she is not yet five, Margaret has observed some things. Not long ago a family of kittens made an entrance into Margaret's home, and she was most anxious to keep them all. Her mother objected on the ground that they were all girl pussies and would eventually grow up into mother cats. "No, they grow up mother," said Margaret very earnestly. "I won't let them be mothers; I'll train them to be teachers."—Brooklyn Life.

## Nearly Forgets His Life.

A runaway street ending family started a horrible disaster on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Buckle's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for Burns, Bruises, Itch, Eruptions, and Piles. 50c at C. D. Bradburn's Drug Store.

## CELESTIAL REFRESHMENTS

Fancy Little Restaurants in the Chinese Empire. Places of rest and refreshment are commonly to be found in China at the halting stations on the highways in the interior or at the villages on the banks of the great rivers of China. They frequently take the form of a small hut, having a dark interior filled with smoke, tea tables, forms and an oven, where a cook is kept busy baking tea bread and frying puddings for the entertainment of the customers, whose favorite beverage is tea, although when times are good and the weather cold they indulge in something stronger, which often inebriates and that at a very cheap rate. In the darkest corner there are a row of glazed earthenware jars containing a kind of Chinese whiskey, of which a thirsty carrier may have a skin full for something considerably under a penny, when he will go quietly to sleep on the shaft of his cart, and his pony or mule, being used to it, will take him home.

In addition to these conveniences there is an ingenious little furnace in front, having a long flue, through which the same is driven by an air pump, and a row of hot water kettles, gradually increasing in size to suit the heat of the tongue of flame that passes up the flue beneath, so that they may all be kept boiling. The hot water is sold passersby, who usually carry with them their teapot and tea, so that they may have a cup at every station. This custom of carrying one's own tea is so common that it is difficult to procure a cup of tea in any of the restaurants, as they do not keep it and do not care to go out of their way to buy it for you. Although the plant may be growing all round and at one's very feet, it is next to impossible to get a cup that a foreigner would consider worth drinking, and as to using milk and sugar, the Chinese look upon the practice as a barbarous device of the "foreign devil."

Golden Penny.

## Perfect Confidence.

Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease. Mrs. M. I. Basford, of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of her experience in the use of that remedy says: "I have a world of confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for I have used it with perfect success. My child Garland is subject to severe attacks of croup and it always gives him prompt relief." For sale by all Druggists.

## Force of Custom.

The handsome young dentist slipped the diamond ring on the lovely girl's shapely finger.

"If you break this engagement, dear-est," he said, with a dreamy, far-away gaze, "I shall have to charge you for my time, you know."—Chicago Tribune.

## The Book's One Good Feature.

"You have seen his book, I suppose. What do you think about it?" "Well, there's one good thing about it." "Indeed?" "Yes. It's simply impossible to dramatize it."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

## Have You Indigestion?

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## THE BROKEN VIOLIN.

An incident of the Childhood of the Master Ole Bull.

Ole Bull, the great violinist, was born with a genius for music. To him the swaying of bluebells, the wind and rain and waterfalls, the music of birds and bees—all these were the voices of nature, and he tried to reproduce them on his violin.

It is said that the musician's first violin was given him by an uncle when he was but four years old, and his delight at the present knew no bounds.

"My father wanted me to be a minister," said he in telling the story many years after, "and I thought I must do as he wished. But when I was eight years old he bought me a new violin and arranged to have me study under a teacher, for," he said, "a minister ought to know a little about music!" That night I could not sleep. I rose in the night to get a peep at the precious violin. It was so red, and the pretty painted screws did smile at me so my fingers, and it smiled at me more and more. I took up the bow and looked at it. It said to me it would be pleased to have me try it across the strings. So I did try it just a very, very little, and it did play so softly. I forgot that it was midnight and everybody asleep, and the next minute I felt my father's whip across my shoulders. My little red violin dropped on the floor and was broken. I did weep very much for it, but it did no good. They did have a doctor to the next day, but it never recovered its health."—Detroit Free Press.

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